Amemdment to the Land Acquisition Act

*147. SHRI RAMA MUNI REDDY SIRIGIREDDY: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to amend the Land Aquistion Act, 1894, for speeding up the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana;

(b) if so, the details of the proposed amendment;

(c) the recommendations of the Group of Minister set up for this purpose;

(d) whether Government also propose to bring out a National Settlement and Rehabilitation Policy for resettling the persons displaced because of such projects; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. VENKAIAH NAIDU): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (e) Does not arise.

SHRI RAMA MUNI REDDY SIRIGIREDDY: Mr. Chairman, Sir, Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana has been going on for the last two years. I would like to know from the hon. Minister whether the Government has come across with any land acquisition problems or not. If yes, what action has been taken?

SHRI ANNASAHEB M. K. PATIL: Mr. Chairman, Sir, the Land Acquisition Act is not applicable to the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana. Even though it is a Central Act, it has been modified by the States as per their requirements. This question is not related to this. No doubt, the Land Acquisition Act has to be amended, but for

some other purposes. But it is not applicable to the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana.

Question No. 148 [The questioner (Shri Ramdas Aggarwal) was absent. For answer *vide* page 34 *infra.*]

Question No. 149 [The questioners (Shri Munavvar Hasan and Shrimati Jayaprada Nahata) were absent. For answer *vide* page 35 *infra.*]

Question No. 150 [The questioner (Shri Solipeta Ramachandra Reddy) was absent. For answer *vide* page 36 *infra.*]

Phasing out of MIGs by HAL

*151. SHRI AIMADUDDIN AHMED KHAN (DURRU):
DR. KARAN SINGH:†

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Hindustan Aeronautics Limited has drawn out a plan to phase out the MIG fleet;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the MIG fleet at present with the Indian Air Force; and

(d) the reasons for phasing out the same?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) to (d) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement

(a) to (d) Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) does not decide on the operational phasing out of any aircraft. This authority vests with the Indian Air Force (IAF) after due concurrence of the Ministry of Defence. HAL is responsible only for manufacture, upgrade, repair and overhaul of aircraft. The production of MIG 21 aircraft and its variants and MIG 27 M aircraft, which were the only type of MIG aircraft manufactured by HAL, continued up to 1987

† The question was actually asked on the floor of the House by Dr. Karan Singh.